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ABSTRACT

Process and device for positioning an optical component between two optical fibers

The invention pertains to a process and to a device for positioning an optical component between two optical fibers furnished at their end with lenses (3, 4). The process consists in: comprising: [[-]] drilling a support [[(6)]] in such a way as to fix therein a capillary tube [[(7)]] whose inside diameter is designed to slip an optical fiber thereinto, [[-]] fixing the capillary tube [[(7)]] in the drilling [[(8)]] of the support [[(6)]], [[-]] making a blind cut [[(10)]] of the support [[(6)]] and of the capillary tube [[(7)]], in such a way as to separate the capillary tube [[(7)]] into two parts [[(7a, 7b)]], a first plane face [[(11)]] of the cut [[(10)]] being perpendicular to a longitudinal axis [[(5)]] of the capillary tube [[(7)]], [[-]] positioning the component [[(12)]] on the first plane face [[(11)]], [[-]] positioning an optical fiber [[(1, 2)]] in each of the parts [[(7a, 7b)]]. The device comprises a support through which is fixed a capillary tube [[(7)]], the support [[(6)]] comprising a cut [[(10)]] so as to separate the capillary tube [[(7)]] into two parts [[(7a, 7b)]]. The cut [[(10)]] comprises a first plane face [[(11)]] perpendicular to a longitudinal axis [[(5)]] of the capillary tube [[(7)]]. The component is positioned on the first plane face [[(11)]].

Figure 1.